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In re Application of:

BENTON et al.

Application No.: 09/900,533 /

Group Art Unit: 1712 /

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Examiner: Philip C. Tucker

For: COMPOSITIONS FOR CONTROLLING SCALING AND COMPLETION FLUIDS

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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May 5, 2003

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated February 4, 2003, for which the Examiner has set a three-month period for response, thus making the response due on or before May 5, 2003 (May 4, 2003 was a Sunday).

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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